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Senator Debbie Stabenow
U.S. Senate
133 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

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Marc Reinholz

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Senator Barack Obama
U.S. Senate
713 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Judy Nevins

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November 1, 2005 11:37 AM

Senator Dianne Feinstein
U.S. Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Feinstein:

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Judy Nevins

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Debbie Rhodes

PO Box 2 , Hazel, KY 42049

November 1, 2005 11:10 AM

Senator Jim Bunning
U.S. Senate
316 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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William Bethard

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Senator Kay Hutchison
U.S. Senate
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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James Cline

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Representative Michael Turner
U.S. House of Representatives
1740 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Turner:

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Lisa Kukowski

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Senator Kent Conrad
U.S. Senate
530 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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